

Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary
Sanctuary Advisory Council
4/22/02

SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) MEMBERS

Daniel Cohen	Research (alternate)
Josh Churchman	Maritime Activity (alternate)
Carol Keiper	Research
Thomas Lambert	Conservation
Doreen Moser	Education
Brian Mulvey	National Marine Fisheries Service (alternate)
Richard Powers	Maritime Activity
Joe Smith	Community-at-Large

Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Staff:

Ruth Howell	Assistant Management Plan Review Coordinator
Dan Howard	Assistant Manager
Ed Ueber	Sanctuary Manager
Ann Walton	Management Plan Review Coordinator

Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Staff:

Maria Brown	Assistant Manager
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Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary SAC Member:

Richard Charter	Conservation
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Copies to:

All attending

CBNMS Sanctuary Advisory Council Members and Alternates Not Present:

Bill McMillon	Education (alternate)
Kathy Soave	Conservation (alternate)

AGENDA ITEMS

Welcome and Call to Order

- Carol Keiper was elected as the Chair.
- Joe Smith was elected as the Vice-Chair.

Approval of 2/15 Minutes

- Minutes will be reviewed and approved at the next meeting.

Meeting Dates for Remainder of Calendar Year

- Tuesday, June 25, 2002
- Tuesday, September 10, 2002
- Tuesday, December 10, 2002

Council Member Announcements

- CBNMS will be hiring a contractor as the SAC Coordinator.
- Josh Churchman appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle Friday section. A copy of the article will go out with the next minutes.
- 'To Eat or Not To Eat' sustainable seafood Earth Day Event, Monday, April 22, 2002 at Aquarium of the Bay. \$25/person. Unveiling of Sustainable Fisheries Guide. The Marine Mammal Center would like copies to distribute. The Oceanic Society Expedition would be another good outlet for the Guide.
- 'Global Warming or Globalboloney?' lecture by Pieter Folkens Wednesday, Fort Mason, Building 201 at 7:00 PM. SAC requested that the lecture be taped.
- Doreen Moser will be giving a presentation to the American Cetacean Society and SAC members are welcome to attend.
- The CBNMS, GFNMS, and Farallones Marine Sanctuary Association will be hosting their annual volunteer appreciation event on June 21, 2002. All SAC members are welcome.
- 'Notes to Volunteers' is being distributed to all SAC members. 'Notes to Volunteers' is an

update on Sanctuary issues and happenings.

- Please send all attachments in the body of emails.

Overview of the Half Moon Bay Management Plan Review Meeting

Next Steps for Issue Prioritization

- Summarize SAC issue prioritization meeting results in document for public distribution.

Scheduled to be completed in June 2002.

- Assign issues to staff and or SAC members.
- Form working groups to characterize issues.
- Staff develops final issue characterizations for action plans.

SAC Comments on Process

- Good educational experience.
 - Good to work with other SAC members from GFNMS and MBNMS.
 - The ranking was subjective and the Chair guided how issues were ranked.
 - Felt rushed to make decisions; two days would have been more productive.
 - Too much information in too short of a time period.
 - Need facts presented with each issue.
 - Would like to see all three sanctuaries' staff come together and prioritize the issues.
- Interested in knowing the staffs' priorities.

Issue Prioritization Exercise

National Marine Sanctuary Program Objectives for an Integrated JMPR Process

- Ensure that the purposes and policies of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act are fulfilled.
- Conduct a 'true' public participation process, ensuring as much 'self-determination' as possible within the constraints of available resources, programmatic objectives, and regulatory requirements.
- Establish a 'broader' community of interest across all three sanctuaries to promote increased ecosystem thinking and related behavior along the entire coast.
- To maximize efficiency, effectiveness, and appropriate program integration between the 3 sites.
- To determine the appropriate distribution of facilities and overall sanctuary program presence across the 3-sanctuary regions, without regard to boundaries, that supports the local community sense of place and ownership for marine conservation.
- To answer the question if there are areas of special biological, ecosystem, or economic significance within the sanctuary system where consensus points to consideration for increased protection.

Criteria for Prioritizing Issues

1. Threshold question

Does the NMSP have the institutional responsibility and/or authority to address this issue?

2. Site Benefits

Does addressing this issue have positive site benefits to the natural resources?

3. Urgency

Levels of urgency:

- A. develop strategies
- B. develop a framework
- C. defer action

4. Feasibility

Does the Sanctuary have the necessary people resources/skills funding, infrastructure and technical capability to address this issue?

Prioritization of Cordell Bank Specific Problem Statements (please see attached tables)

18.A. A/A/C

25.A. B/A/A

14.A. A/A/A

12.A. B/B/A

22.A. A/A/B
28.A. C/B/A
4.A. A/A/B
5.A. B/A/B
8.A. A/A/B
10.A. A/A/B
19.A. C/C/A
21.A. A/B/A

Issues Added to Prioritization List

13.0 Fishing activities impact marine ecosystems in a variety of ways, both directly and indirectly. A/A/B

29.0 Water Quality. B/B/A

Parking Lot: Comments on Problem Statements

- Investigate SiMON for CBNMS.
- Include anecdotal fishing information layer in CBNMS GIS.
- Need to use fishermen during oil spill emergency response.
- Need more education on the Sanctuary's preparedness for oil spills.
- Sanctuary needs to coordinate among agencies and public to respond to oil spills.
- Address oil spills under vessel traffic.
- Exotic species should be addressed under monitoring.
- It was questioned whether personal motorized watercraft is an issue for CBNMS.
- Monitor impacts from fishing activity as a component of resource monitoring efforts.
- Develop a species list with voucher specimens and a baseline monitoring program for CBNMS. Put the species list online.
- Cooperate with EPA on water quality.

Cross-cutting Issues

Dredging - Not cross-cutting (MBNMS only)

Ship Discharge - Not cross-cutting (MBNMS only)

Landslide disposal - Not cross-cutting (MBNMS only)

Trawling (should be included with fishing issues) NA/A/B

Public Comment Period

No public comments.

Presentation on Fishing Gear Types by Josh Churchman

- Josh Churchman will give his presentation at the beginning of the next SAC meeting on June 25th.

Agenda items for next board meeting

- A biogeographic analysis of marine biological resources off North/Central California
- Presentation on fishing gear types by Josh Churchman.

Next meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2002 LOCATION TBD

ADJOURNED at 2:50 PM

ALL Please send all corrections to and comments on the minutes to Harriet Lew at
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